Please amend claim 1 to read as follows:

CM

1. (Amended) A compound of the formula

THEOX

OCH₃

CH₃

CH₃

CH₂

OCH₃

OC

wherein n is 1, 2, or 4; and A^{n+} is Li^+ , Na^+ , K^+ , Mg^{2+} , or Ca^{2+} [, Ti^{4+} ,

 $N^+(R^1)_4$ or H_2N-C^+

wherein R¹ is an alkyl group containing 1-4 carbon atoms].

Cancel claims 5-7.

Please add claims 32-36 as follows:

wherein R is an alkyl group containing 1-4 carbon atoms.

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